

## CABINET PLAYED FOR ITS POLICY TOWARD IRISH

The Government Is Succeeding; Chief Secretary's Only Reply to Attack.

### REPRISALS DENOUNCED

Capt. Benn Cites Use of Hostages as Screens and Burning of Houses.

### HAGUE RULES VIOLATED

Lord Robert Cecil Says Government Winked at Most Shocking Actions.

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To a most bitter and definite attack on the Government's policy in Ireland in the House of Commons to-night, Sir Hamar Greenwood, Chief Secretary for Ireland, reiterated the defence that "the Government is succeeding." Sir Hamar did not pretend to refute charges of "atrocious reprisals" or to defend the troops who were charged with having committed them.

Many instances of reprisals were cited to the House, but Sir Hamar only replied that "the Government is succeeding." He held to this statement in the face of a charge by Capt. W. Wedgwood Benn (Liberal) that whereas there were 599 Sinn Féin outrages in 1919, there were 9,171 in 1920. "No one would dream that a new capital offence bill could be created without obtaining the consent of the House of Commons," but Sir Hamar Greenwood has done this under his own administrative law," Capt. Benn said.

He cited instances of the use of hostages as fire screens to protect troops of the Crown and of violence towards civilians. He characterized the destruction of creameries in Ireland as contrary to the Hague convention.

"It is a queer sort of justice," he declared, "to burn a house because somebody considered it occupied or owned by a notorious Sinn Féin. In the Chief Secretary's own words, 'Murder is the abdication of the first principles of civilized government.' It is the fact that the attacks in the House should be directed towards the creatures whom the Chief Secretary sent to Ireland. He is the man we ought to attack. He and the Prime Minister are the responsible agents. These men come to him for pay, for food, to replenish their hands."

## Home Rule for Ireland to be Effective April 5

LONDON, Feb. 21.—The Privy Council has decided that the home rule act for Ireland shall go into effect April 5. The first step under the act is to be the issuance of writs for elections to the new Parliaments, which probably will take place three weeks afterward. The Belfast Parliament will assemble in June. The present prospects seem to be that few candidates will come forward for the southern Parliament, and it seems doubtful whether this Parliament will be formed.

Iters and for another tin of petrol. He the man who ought now to answer these charges in the House as he would have to answer them to the throne of Justice."

Sir Hamar in reply bitterly attacked the Opposition, pointing out charges against the Government which he insisted were not true and which had been spread abroad and had defamed the British name. He warned the House that Sinn Féin were allied with Bolshevism and that terrorism was spreading in England, as was instanced in the Liverpool and the Manchester burnings. Again he insisted the Government was making progress in bringing peace to Ireland and declared that the Ulster Parliament surely would open in June, when it was hoped that the Premier of the empire, who would be meeting in London, would go there to welcome their new partner in the empire. He asserted that Sinn Féin "gunmen" alone prevented the same thing in southern Ireland.

The debate was the occasion of the first speech by Lord Robert Cecil from the Opposition bench. He declared that the Government winked at reprisals of the most shocking character and that they were common since the September policy had proved a failure. He asserted that friends of Ireland were convinced that instead of there being isolated groups of murderers there the Government's policy had driven many moderates into the ranks of the extremists.

"If the Cork burning had occurred in any of our dependencies, there would have been an impartial inquiry," Lord Robert declared. "If exaggerated charges have been made, the Government is itself to blame for withholding the reports."

By the Associated Press. LONDON, Feb. 21.—In the House of Commons to-day Sir Hamar Greenwood, Chief Secretary for Ireland, warned the House that the Sinn Féin conspiracy was spreading to England, and read a memorandum captured at Sinn Féin headquarters dealing with an appropriation to the Irish republican army of \$30,000, mostly from Irish-American citizens.

The document emphasized the importance of large scale operations "abroad" and suggested Liverpool as holding out the greatest hope. Staff officers, it added, should be given a free hand, and it proposed the destruction of large ships and buildings by fire, the cutting of telegraph and telephone lines and signalling systems, whereby trains and trams could be wrecked, and the destruction of farms.

"Operations should be directed to encouraging direct action and incitement of mobs to looting," the document continued, "and the officer in charge should not be hampered by consideration of preserving life."

Sir Hamar expressed the hope that the dominant Premier would be able to attend the opening of the Ulster Parliament in June.

## JAPANESE REGRET LANGDON KILLING

Tokio Sends Reply to Note of America Promising Punishment.

### OFFICERS DISCIPLINED

Commander of Sentries at Vladivostok Permanently Suspended.

Special Dispatch to THE NEW YORK HERALD. New York Herald Bureau. Washington, D. C., Feb. 21.

Japan has delivered her reply to the American note of protest in connection with the killing of Lieut. W. H. Langdon, U. S. N., by a Japanese sentry at Vladivostok. It has been handed to the American Embassy in Tokio, but the text has not yet reached Washington. Announcement that the reply had been submitted was made by Baron Shidehara, Japanese Ambassador, who called formally on Under Secretary of State Davis to-day for that purpose. It is understood that Baron Shidehara informed Mr. Davis that it expressed regret for the killing of Lieut. Langdon and promised that the sentry guilty of the death of the American officer will be punished and that officers of the sentry's regiment would be disciplined. No hint is given of the nature of the Japanese reply to the American query concerning the right of the Japanese to police Vladivostok.

By the Associated Press. TOKIO, Feb. 21.—One of the results of the official investigation into the shooting of the United States cruiser Albany at Vladivostok is the permanent suspension from active service of Major Gen. Tamazoro Nishihara, commander of the sentries of the Twenty-second Brigade.

The Associated Press is also informed that several of the minor officers in charge of the Vladivostok barracks will be suspended for from seven to thirty days for irregularities in their instructions and failure to issue them clearly to the sentries. Suspension of the under officers will be accompanied by the obligation to confine themselves to their own homes during the periods fixed. This is described as the form of punishment prevailing in old Japan.

According to information from the same source, the sentry, Toshigoro Ogasawara, has been found blameless in the shooting of Lieut. Langdon, as his action was due to instructions which he misunderstood. Whether he will be punished will not be disclosed until the official announcements are made in the Diet to-morrow.

Although acquitted by the court-martial of blame for the shooting of Langdon, it is understood that the sentry will be sentenced to thirty days' imprisonment for making contradictory statements at the court-martial.

### COLD CHICKEN POISONS SEVEN.

UNIONTOWN, Pa., Feb. 21.—Mrs. Mary Shady, aged 47, is dead and six other members of her family are seriously ill as a result of eating chicken left over from the family dinner yesterday.

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## TWO MORE DEATHS AFTER CORK AMBUSH

Further Details Received of Sunday's Engagement.

BROOKLYN, Feb. 21.—Two additional deaths occurred to-day as a result of the engagement Sunday afternoon between Lisgoold and Middleton, County Cork. Those deaths brought the civilian casualties up to fifteen.

Further official details show that the Sinn Féins made a desperate defence against the men of the Hampshire regiment, but eventually were compelled to leave their positions in the open and take shelter in a nearby house. Police reinforcements, who were quickly on the spot, burned the house. Several of the defenders, it is said, came running out with their hands up, but others continued to fire through loopholes at the police as they went to accept surrenders. The commandant of the Middleton company, named Jones, was killed. Large quantities of bombs, ammunition and rifles and a motor car were captured.

LONDON, Feb. 21.—John MacSwiney, brother of the late Lord Mayor, Terence MacSwiney, of Cork, who with others was arrested in a general roundup in Cork on February 8, will be tried by court-martial Tuesday. The charge against him is conspiring to levy war against his Majesty's forces and being in possession of arms and ammunition.

DUBLIN, Feb. 21.—A military patrol of Crown forces was ambushed last evening near Lillibuck by seventy men armed with bombs and rifles. It was announced in an official headquarters statement to-day. One officer and three soldiers were wounded.

A party of armed men attacked a group of ten soldiers last evening near the Capuchin Priory at Kilkenny. Two members of the attacking party were mortally wounded by the military contingent. One soldier of the defending group received slight wounds.

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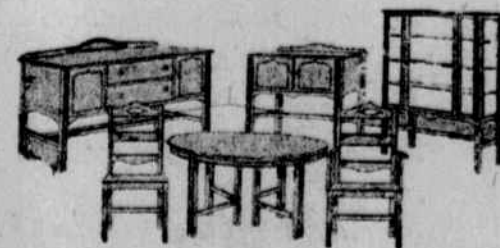
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